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SYNOPSIS

Directs AG to include gang information in Uniform Crime Report, requires gang information to be included on fingerprint card, appropriates \$70,000.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the Senate on June 20, 2005.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/10/2006)

1 AN ACT concerning criminal street gangs, amending P.L.1966, c.37,
2 supplementing chapter 1 of Title 53 of the Revised Statutes and
3 making an appropriation.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 1. Section 3 of P.L.1966, c.37 (C.52:17B-5.3) is amended to read
9 as follows:

10 3. ¹a.¹ All local and county police authorities shall submit a
11 quarterly report to the Attorney General, on forms prescribed by the
12 Attorney General, which report shall contain the number and nature of
13 offenses committed within their respective jurisdictions, the disposition
14 of such matters, information relating to criminal street gang activities
15 within their respective jurisdictions, and such other information as the
16 Attorney General may require, respecting information relating to the
17 cause and prevention of crime, recidivism, the rehabilitation of
18 criminals and the proper administration of criminal justice.

19 ¹b. A law enforcement officer who responds to an offense
20 involving criminal street gang activity shall complete a gang related
21 incident offense report on a form prescribed by the Superintendent of
22 State Police. All information contained in the gang related incident
23 offense report shall be forwarded to the appropriate county bureau of
24 identification and to the Superintendent of State Police.¹

25 (cf: P.L.1966, c.37, s.3)
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27 2. (New section) a. Upon the arrest of any person for a crime or
28 offense for which fingerprinting is required, the arresting officer shall
29 designate whether the crime or offense was related to criminal street
30 gang activity on the form used for the collection of fingerprints
31 pursuant to R.S.53:1-15. For the purposes of this section, a crime is
32 related to criminal street gang activity if the crime was committed for
33 the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with a criminal
34 street gang as defined in subsection h. of N.J.S.2C:44-3.

35 b. The form used for the collection of fingerprints pursuant to
36 R.S.53:1-15 shall include a place for the arresting officer to designate
37 whether the crime or offense was related to criminal street gang
38 activity.
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40 3. There is appropriated \$70,000 from the General Fund to the
41 Department of Law and Public Safety to effectuate the purposes of
42 this act.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate floor amendments adopted June 20, 2005.

1 4. This act shall take effect on the first day of the ¹~~【sixth】~~ seventh¹
2 month following enactment.